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¶1. (C) Emboff delivered Ref A demarche to Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation Europe Department Director Kao Samreth October 6. While not disclosing specifically whether the Royal Kingdom of Cambodia will support or oppose the Serbian resolution, Kao stressed that Cambodia does not wish to encourage secession in any country and therefore does not support the independence of Kosovo. (Ref B.) Kao drew parallels to independence claims for South Ossetia and stated that Cambodia would not encourage tension within a country by supporting independence claims. CAMPBELL